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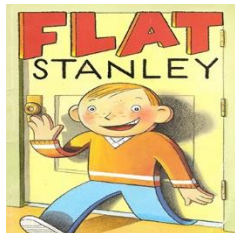
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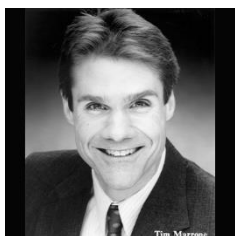
The Billings Symphony Orchestra & Chorale Presents the Annual Family Concert: Flat Stanley and Adventures in Music Day

BILLINGS MT- The Billings Symphony Orchestra & Chorale (BSO&C) presents the Annual Family Concert: **Flat Stanley**, Saturday, January 25, featuring the return of actor Tim Marrone. Showtime is 12 pm at the Lincoln Center. Admission is \$5 general seating. Start your day at the Billings Public Library with **Adventures in Music Day (AiM Day)**, the Annual Instrument Petting Zoo from 9-11:30 am. **AiM Day** is free to the public.

Flat Stanley travels the globe with the orchestra! Discover the cultures of the world through musical stories, instruments and songs, featuring music from all parts of the world! Selections include classics: Glière's Russian Sailor's Dance, Brahms' Hungarian Dance No. 5, Offenbach's Can-Can, and Copland's famous "Hoe-Down" from Rodeo.



First published in the 1960s, *Flat Stanley* is a classic, fun tale of a boy with a difference. The story is timeless and still just as relevant – with its messages of acceptance, jealousy and good versus evil – in the modern world. As Arthur learns to understand his brother's situation and the family adapts to this new version of Stanley, children see that being different or standing out from the crowd is not always easy. Visit billingsymphony.org/family-concert-flat-stanley.org for lesson plans and **Flat Stanley** activities.



Tim Marrone received his training at the Neighborhood Playhouse School of the Theatre in New York City and has appeared on stage throughout the Northeast, most recently in the Baltimore/Washington DC area. For ten years, Tim served as a founding member of the Maryland-based clown/theatre troupe Theatricks. He has appeared as a silent comic character for the Washington National Opera, the Maryland Lyric Opera, the Summer Opera Series at Catholic University, and has toured as a clown with the George Carden Circus. Tim has co-written and performed productions with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, the Baltimore Chamber Orchestra, the Lafayette Symphony Orchestra, the Billings Symphony Orchestra, the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra, the Lincoln Symphony Orchestra, and the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra.

Ever want to test out a trombone? Beat on the drum or pluck on a bass? Adventures in Music Day and the Instrument Petting Zoo is the perfect opportunity to try them out. Saturday, January 25, 2020 from 9-11:30 at the Billings Public Library. **Adventures in Music Day** is an excellent opportunity for aspiring



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young musicians to get up-close and personal with professional musicians and their instruments. This event is FREE to the public! Thanks to [Eckroth Music](#), [Hansen Music](#), [Kirk's House of Music](#), [Billings Public Library](#), and Galt String Gallery for making this day possible!

Flat Stanley is proudly sponsored by Mike Guerin & Rory Regina, Billings Gazette, and Sibanye Stillwater.

The Billings Symphony Orchestra & Chorale's 2019-2020 season is proudly sponsored by the Oakland Companies. The 2019-2020 Host Hotel is the Northern Hotel, and the media sponsor is KTVQ-2.

Tickets are available by calling 406-252-3610 or visiting billingsymphony.org.

The Billings Symphony Orchestra & Chorale (BSO&C) is the largest professional orchestra in Montana. Established in 1951, the BSO&C strives to enrich lives through music. Consisting of over 135 musicians, the BSO&C serves a regional population of 400,000 people located throughout South Central and Eastern Montana, and Northeastern Wyoming by introducing music to children, youth, adults and seniors through Explore Music! the BSO&C's community engagement program. Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.

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